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# LILY SEED



L. Auratum

LILIES FROM SEED COME FREE FROM DISEASE

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### LILIES FROM SEED

Growing lilies from seed may well be the gardener's most thrilling adventure. That these tiny wafer-like seed can produce such gorgeous flowers is a never-ending marvel.

Lilies from seed have numerous advantages over other methods of propagation because they develop free of disease and if not infected from other lilies they remain disease free. Seeds of a wide variety of lilies are available and for a small investment you may produce many fine bulbs. There is no fortune in lily growing but there is a wealth of interesting adventure and pleasure far exceeding your fondest expectations.

## SEED OF SPECIES LILIES

Most of these come reasonably true from seed, though occasionally they differ from the parent stocks. With most varieties of species lilies, growing from seed is considered the best way to propagate them. We have divided the lists into two groups, those easy and quick and those slow and sometimes difficult. Both groups contain many of the finest varieties and the slower ones are well worth waiting for.

#### EASY

Amabile

Amabile Luteum

Bakerianum

Callosum

Candidum var. Salonikae

Centifolium

Concolor

Davidi

Davidi Macranthum

Dauricum Wilsoni

Formosanum-Late

" —Intermediate

—Early

Henryi

Maximowiczii Wadai

" T.o.

Late

Nepalense

' Var. Concolor

Ochraceum

Regale

Regale "Blondie"

White Form

#### EASY

Tenuifolium

Tenuifolium

"Golden Gleam"

Willmottiae

Unicolor

Wallichianum

#### LILY

## **Seed Prices**

FEGULAR PACKETS
50c EACH
12 FOR \$5.00

\$1.00 EACH

12 FOR \$10.00

Quantity of seed varies per packet with rarity of the species.

#### SLOW

Auratum (Type)

" Pictum

" Late Variety

" Selected Forms

Canadense Flavum

Columbianum

Cordatum

Giganteum Himalaicum

Hansoni

Humboldtii Magnificum

Pardalinum

Parryi

Parvum Luteum

Philadelphicum

Pollyphyllum

Szovitsianum

Superbum

Washingtonianum

Purpureum

## ESPERANZA AURATUM LILIES

This new and perfectly magnificent strain of the famous Golden-Rayed Lily is fast becoming recognized as the *ne plus ultra* of Lilium Auratum. If you have despaired of ever succeeding with this beautiful and fragrant variety, maybe growing them from seed will solve your problem. Esperanza Auratums are as vastly improved over the older disease ridden forms as the present day motor car is an advance over those of 1905. Truly, Esperanzas are beyond description. One can hardly picture their perfection.

Esperanza Auratum seed is not plentiful but we will supply it as long as the stocks last at \$3.00 per packet. With each packet we will send you an attractive booklet on the Esperanza Strain of Auratums, describing more than forty named varieties, ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$100.00 per bulb.

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Romaine B. Ware—Bulbs

# HYBRID LILY SEED

Seed of hybrid lilies offers high advetnure to every flower lover. Undreamed of wonders are found within this group. Some are easy and quick, others slow and sometimes difficult, reluctant, one might say, to come forth into the limelight. From these you may produce the world's most beautiful lily—Who knows?

These hybrid seeds are saved from the finest strains and from the named hybrids. One or two pods only are allowed to mature from each bulb to insure seeds of high vitality. See general cultural directions for handling the two groups—the easy or quick and the slow ones.

Seed of hybrid lilies is sold by the group name—that is Backhouse Hybrids are a mixture of seed from the varieties Mrs. R. O. Backhouse, Brocade, Sceptre and Sutton Court. Seed from the individual varieties can not be had separately as they do not come true and we will not list them as distinct varieties.

## SEED FROM HYBRID LILIES

Order by the Hybrid Strain names in the list below.

S-Backhouse Hybrids

The four varieties listed to the right are included in this seed collection.

(Do NOT order seed from the varieties listed in this column as they are NOT sold as separate varieties.)

Mrs. R. O. Backhouse Brocade Sceptre Sutton Court

S—Bellingham Hybrids
This strain includes see

This strain includes seed from the seven varieties at the right. They are not sold separately.

Cyrus Gates
Douglas Ingram
Francis Larrabee
Kulshan
Peter Puget
Shuksan
Star of Oregon

\*—Easy and Quick.
Top growth appears in 3 to 8
weeks.

S—Slow—Germinate 6 to 15 months.

S-Marhan Hybrids

Ellen Willmott E. J. Elwes

\*—Preston's Hybrids
Seed saved from these three named varieties.

Coronation Grace Marshall Lillian Cummings

\*—Princeps-Creelman Hybrids
Seed from these three varieties.

Creelman X Centifolium
Pride of Charlotte
Shelbourn

(PLEASE order by the Hybrid Strain name ONLY, not by the individual names in the right hand list as these varieties are not kept or sold separately.)

- \*-Princeps, G. C. Creelman
- \*-Crows Hybrids
- \*-Davmottiae
- \*—Longiflorum
  "Snowdrift"
- \*—Longiflorum
  "White Queen"
- \*--Maxwill
- S—Pardalinum Giganteum
  The Sunset Lily
- S-Roezlit Hybrids
- S-Scottiae Hybrids
- \*-Umbellatum Mixed

#### GENERAL DIRECTIONS—

#### Lilies from Seed

Many lilies may be successfully grown from seed sown outdoors in well prepared beds. However, it is quicker and easier, especially with small lots, if the seed is sown in flats or ground beds in a cool greenhouse or frame. The easy germinating species are best sown in early spring and the slower kinds in the summer or early fall for germination the following spring. Provide shade during the summer by the use of lath covers which may replace the cold frame sash during the summer months. One-half inch is sufficiently deep to sow the seed when protection is offered from heavy rains. The seedlings may be potted off when the first true leaf appears or allowed to grow on in the frames until one year old when they may be set out into nursery rows in the open ground. Use care in transplanting so that the delicate young roots are not broken.

# SEED AND PLANT SPECIALTIES

## PANSY SEED

Oregon has become world famous for fine Pansy seed and we feel most fortunate to be able to offer what we believe to be the very best. Too, you can now buy your Pansy seed in separate colors. The seed we offer is a most carefully selected strain from thoroughly rogued plants. I have personally inspected the seed beds and can heartily recommend this seed as the best. The stocks of this seed are naturally limited so order early.

coronation gold—1480—The best pure yellow from a reselected lot of huge Swiss Pansies. Try them as a ground cover beneath red or copper toned Azaleas; among blue Scillas or Hyacinths. Lovely among red or white Tulips and other spring bulbs.

IMPROVED FIREBEACON—1481—This is a coppery-red Swiss Pansy—the red of Wall-flower rather than a purple red—and often has a touch of orange. The blooms are huge and striking. Delightful with any of the yellow flowered bulbs or shrubs.

MONT BLANC—1482—A truly wonderful pure white of immense proportions. You will like it under any of the spring bulbs or shrubs.

ULLSWATER—1483—A deep ultramarine blue Swiss Pansy. The finest I have ever seen. Beneath yellow flowered Daffodils or Tulips, massed below yellow Azaleas, the effect is stunning.

GIANT HYBRID SWISS MIXED—1488— A reselected strain, clear brilliant colors, including exquisite pastels, henna, flame, fuchsia, carmine and a touch of blue. They produce huge blooms on compact plants.

OREGON GIANTS MIXED—1489—This famous strain is too well known to need description. Always in demand. This seed is direct from the originator.

One packet \$1.00, 3 Packets \$2.50. Postpaid.

Cultural Directions with Pansy and Delphinium Seed.

#### DELPHINIUM SEED Pacific Hybrid Strain

This seed is from the choicest selection of Pacific Hybrid stock. I've never seen as good varieties anywhere and recommend it without reservation. All shades from the darkest to light blues, mauves, pinks and white. Very tall branching plants with huge flowers. No. 1490—Packet \$1.00, 3 for \$2.50. Postpaid.

We are primarily LILY SPECIALISTS. The 1946 Catalog will list more than 250 varieties of bulbs. Send your name and address for a copy when issued next spring.

#### TIGRIDIA BULBS

With the advent of separate colors in this brilliant bulbous flower from Mexico you will find it worthy of a hearty welcome in your garden. We are happy to offer you large bulbs which should give you bloom from early August until frost.

White—1550—Delightfully airy blooms, lily-like in form. Some brilliantly spotted.

Yellow-1552-A very rich yellow.

Rose—1554—Lovely color without purple tone.

Any of above (order by color and number): 6 for 85c, Dozen \$1.50, 100 for \$10.90.

No Tigridia Bulbs sold later than April 1st.

## CHOICE CAMELLIAS

The choicest varieties of this grand shrub have long been grown in this part of Oregon. They do especially well here and though in the east and north they are not hardy outside, if you live where they can be grown or have a greenhouse, you will find these choice kinds we list to be most desirable. All are grafted plants on three-year roots and should make fine growth. Prices are quoted for 15 to 24-inch plants, postpaid.

ECSTACY—500—A fine clear pink with 4-inch blooms, very lovely. Each \$8.00.

GLORY de NANTHES—1512—A large semidouble, bright red with golden stamens.

Each \$10.00.

GRANDE FLORA ROSEA—1518—Extremely large, semi-double, salmonish pink.

Each \$11.50.

LOTUS—1521—A rare single white, golden stamens, 6-inch blooms. Each \$14.00.

MRS. WILLIAM THOMPSON—1525—A very large, semi-double, white with faint blush and golden stamens. Lovely and rare.

Each \$11.00.

PURITY—1530—A double white of good size, a few golden stamens when fully open.

Each \$5.00.

STARDUST—1533—Double peony type, dark pink, 4-inch blooms, beautiful foliage.

Each \$8.50.

VICTOR EMANUEL — 1536 — Huge peony form, deep red, rare and late blooming.

Each \$15.00.

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